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| FROM | NAME & TITLE | THOMAS J. STOSUR, DIRECTOR | CITY of BALTIMORE MEMO |  |
| | AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS | DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING 8 TH FLOOR, 417 EAST FAYETTE STREET | | |
| | SUBJECT | CITY COUNCIL BILL #16-0645/Supplemental Conduit Enterprise Fund Capital Appropriation – DOT - \$20,000,000 | | |

DATE: April 25, 2016

TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400
100 North Holliday Street

The Department of Planning is in receipt of City Council Bill #16-0645, which would provide a Supplementary Conduit Enterprise Fund Capital Appropriation in the amount of \$20,000,000 to the Department of Transportation, provide funding for additional maintenance of the conduit system; and provide for a special effective date.

This item has been scheduled for a committee hearing before the Planning Commission will be able to review it and provide a recommendation to the committee. The Department of Planning staff recommends approval of City Council Bill #16-0645.

In September, 2015 the Board of Estimates increased the fee for occupants of the conduit system, effective November 1, 2015, from \$0.9785 to \$3.33 per linear foot. The Fiscal 2016 budget was approved prior to the rate increase resulting in a level of appropriation that is too low for invoiced revenue. The condition of the conduit requires immediate improvement, which is why this supplemental appropriation is necessary.

The increased funds will be used to support an increase in the replacement of conduit, from 3% to 15% annually.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Wolde Ararsa, Division Chief, Land Use and Urban Design Division at 410-396-4488.

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- cc: Ms. Kaliopé Parthemos, Chief of Staff
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- Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office
- The Honorable Rochelle "Rikki" Spector, Council Rep. to Planning Commission
- Mr. David Tanner, BMZA
- Mr. Geoffrey Veale, Zoning Administration
- Ms. Sharon Daboin, DHCD
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- Ms. Elena DiPietro, Law Dept.

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